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I am offering for sale 160 acres of land, the West portion of Section 30 in Block B5, adjoining the town plat of Canyon City on the North side.

This property is finely located and has a running stream of water with fine fishing place with about 50 or 60 acres of very fine sub-irrigated alfalfa land about half of which is already planted and the remainder is plowed ready for planting it.

The place is located convenient to town and good public schools and a bargain is offered to the man who wants a good home.

Would subdivide the tract to suit purchaser.

W. E. BATES,
Canyon City, Texas.

THE NEW WEST.

H. W. Campbell Writes Interesting Article For
Farm Paper—Great Development
Now Going On.

There is a new west springing into existence, not so very unlike the great west that suddenly loomed into prominence in the early '80s to which almost every state, county and town of the east contributed one or more to make up the hundreds, yes thousands, that came out on the then bleak prairies. In many instances this was far in advance of the railroads, although the Indian, the buffalo, antelope and deer had just given up these lands, which they had so long possessed, but left no mark or tradition to indicate that general agricultural pursuits could be carried on successfully. Yet this great army of men that had been so suddenly massed with their families and in most instances all their earthly possessions, pushed out, each to play his chosen part, either to till the soil and help his little mite in developing the anticipated agricultural resources of the great American desert or to help build and manage the towns and cities so necessary to the welfare of the farmer.

For some unknown reason the experience of the early settlers for a year or two was very flattering. Success seemed to hover around their doors and fortunes of no small dimensions seemed apparent in the very near future, but alas it was not to be. Soon a hopeful seed time was followed with extreme heat, cloudless skies, high winds and harvest time came with nothing to garner. The heartrending tales of woe that followed are too sad to here relate. The broken hearts and wrecked minds that now occupy our insane asylums are in some degree indicative of the sorrows that followed the first attempt to occupy these great prairies.

All because we knew nothing about the conditions we were to contend with or how to contend with them. Fifteen years have brought about many marvelous changes. The old west which cost a loss of many millions of eastern revenues and much sorrow to the pioneers, has practically vanished and the new west is here with new conditions, new advantages and new resources. With the new soil culture system the enemy of the old west, drought, has been conquered and its horrifying effects forever driven from the land. In the new west the farmer goes forth and says, I will plant so much corn, sow so many acres of wheat, oats and barley for I will require so many bushels for feed for my team, so many bushels for my cows, so much for fattening my steers, so much for finishing my hogs and so much for seed. Science dictates how and when he shall plow, cultivate, and sow. Steadily and faithfully he carries out the details with energy and care, anticipating certain results, and the business of the whole country becomes more stable and prosperous, because of the faith of the farmer and his continued sure results. In short the farmers of the great prairies are beginning to farm on business principles.

Let us go back just seven short years and visit western Kansas and Nebraska. Ask any of the scattered few that are still staying and trying to make a living how he likes the country, and the sad sorrowing expression that immediately appears on his face tells more than the few words of disgust and regret that he utters, which are followed with expressions of desire for the old home and conditions he left in the east.

Today, what do you hear in the same sections? Only words of hope and expressions of faith in the country. The old weather worn buildings and machinery

are being replaced with new. In front of every farm home may be seen Uncle Sam's rural mail box. Inside of the house is heard the jingle of the telephone bell, and not uncommonly the sweet strains of a new piano. Not far from the house is the young orchard. Healthy and flourishing about the home are more or less flowers, shade and ornamental trees. And is this all? No, the little towns have taken on new life, empty and dilapidated buildings are being repaired and filled up, new, larger and finer stores are being built and filled, new signs, sidewalks and new electric light plants are not uncommon.

And yet as we observe the marvelous changes we realize the fact that its future is not that of the old west, that all these prosperous and encouraging conditions are based on scientific principles, that in lieu of a relapse, success and continued development and prosperity as sure to follow as the sun is to rise and set.

Yes as we ponder a little further, we are for a moment saddened with the thought of the many who with their families are just eking out an existence in the large cities, and the many more who are renting the high priced lands in Illinois and other older sections paying per acre, for one year's annual rent nearly the price that four acres of this now prosperous country, could have been bought for six years ago. The further fact, that many would come to this new west but they do not, they cannot believe a country that has been condemned and cursed by thousands as absolutely worthless, unpleasant and unsafe, a country with a record of almost universal disappointment, where millions of hard earned savings have been lost forever, can possibly have changed so radically in so short a time, without desiring to ask, will not these terrible conditions return?

No they will not return, and what is more, the present conditions are sure to continue to improve. Oh, but you say I am inconsistent, I am visionary and cannot substantiate such broad theories.

Much as we appreciate your position and little as we would criticize your belief, yet we again assert that our statement is correct. Tarry with us just a moment and we will explain why.

This radical change in the great semi arid belt and the sudden development of a new west is not the result of a change of nature's laws or conditions but a discovery through years of scientific research of a system of utilizing nature's resources. The same condition exists to a very great degree today that existed six, ten or fifteen years ago. The same prolonged extreme heat of 1894 and 1901 are liable to visit us again and again, but we have learned to guard against the ill effects, we have learned to store the rainwater in the soil below there conserve it, subject to the demands of the plants during the prolonged dry periods. We have learned how to grow uniformly strong, healthy plants. We have learned how to secure quick and uniform germination. We have learned how to promote the mingling of the component parts of the soil, water and air, in proper quantities to encourage a continued strong healthy growth of all plants and all this, by a simple system of soil culture, by the use of the horse and properly constructed agricultural implements. In short we have found that nature has provided all the necessary elements in ample quantities, all over this great semi-arid belt to produce annually magnificent crops of cereals, vegetables and fruits, but she has wisely left it for man though his ingenuity and energy to combine the elements under proper conditions and in proper quantities and when we have

fully worked out these problems to their highest degree of correctness, you shall marvel and rejoice evermore.

Give fools their gold, and knaves their power
Let fortunes bubbles rise and fall;
Who plants a tree or trains a flower,
Or sows a seed is more than all.
For he who blesses most, is blessed
And God and man must recognize the worth

Of him who strives to leave as his bequest
An added beauty to the earth.
—Campbell's Scientific Farmer.

Is There a Santa Claus?

A few years ago there appeared in the New York Sun, one of the great newspapers of the country, a letter written by a little girl, Virginia, to Charles A. Dana, the great editor of the Sun. Mr. Dana with his great heart, sat down and answered the little girl's letter. The answer was published all over the world and will hold its place among the classics of English literature.

Virginia wrote: Dear Editor Dana—I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in the Sun it is so." Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?—Virginia O'Hanlon.

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith, then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not; but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives and he lives forever! A thousand years from now Virginia, nay, ten thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."—Ex.

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